

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Docket No: A8275

Johnson CHUNG, et al.

Appln. No.: 10/057,561

Group Art Unit: 1651

Confirmation No.: 4657

Examiner: LILLING, H. J.

Filed: January 29, 2002

For:

MUTANT ACTINOSYNNEMA PRETIOSUM STRAIN WITH INCREASED

MAYTANSINOID PRODUCTION

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136, Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time of one month, extending the time for responding to the Office Action of August 12, 2003 to December 12, 2003.

A check for the statutory fee of \$110.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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